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In Re Application Of: <b>Donald A. Iee</b>					
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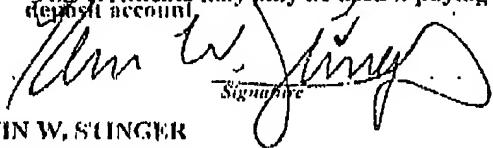
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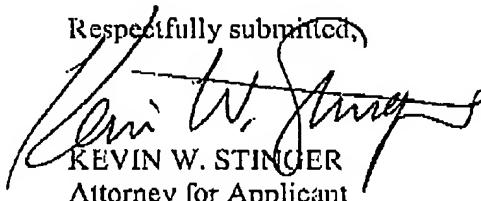
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